# VI Services

Veterans Industries programs develop an individual rehabilitation plan for each veteran. Depending on the specific program location, Veterans Industries provides a wide range of support services to the veteran.

### These include:

## **Vocational**

- Veterans Industries/Compensated Work Therapy (VI/CWT)
- Incentive Therapy
- Transitional Work Experience

# Residential

- Transitional Residence (CWT/TR)
- HUD Housing
- Community Outreach

# Clinical

- Vocational Rehabilitation Services
- Case Management
- Competitive Placement



# Requirements for Working in

# **Veterans Industries?**

VI programs target homeless veterans. For program purposes, however, homelessness takes on a broader than usual definition by including veterans who live with family members, friends, or are discharging from a halfway house, Department of Corrections, (DOC) or in need of aftercare following a substance abuse program.

# **Program Eligibility Requirements:**

- Any male or female veteran who has received anything other than a dishonorable discharge.
- A valid discharge form (DD-214)
- Demonstrate 30 days of documented clean and sober time, documented either by a VI staff member or statement from referral source.
- Be enrolled in VA HealthCare System
- Call Sherri Johnson at 273-4707



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# Department of Veterans Affairs Homeless Veterans Service



helping veterans
return to
meaningful long
term
employment

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#### What is Veterans Industries?

Veterans Industries is a vocational rehabilitation program of the Department of Veterans Affairs that subcontracts with a variety of industries to provide temporary and permanent staffing in over 108 locations nationwide. Always open to new opportunities and alliances, the program supplies workers in the manufacturing, warehousing, construction, packaging and assembly, information technology, office support, retail, as well as the service delivery industry.

The Alaska program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

# VI helps Veterans

 By providing vocational rehabilitation services that lead to employment

## VI supports industry

 By providing high quality, work ready applicants at a competitive price.

# **Employment**

# **VI Compensated Work Therapy and the Workshop**

VI/CWT offers vocational and rehabilitative services ranging from evaluation and counseling to participation in compensated work and vocational training

The Workshop is an important step in the journey toward workplace re-entry. It provides a space for rehabilitation counseling and work preparation/work hardening. Veterans relearn necessary work habits like timeliness, task prioritization and appropriate communication skills. Part of the CWT program is a first-rate well-equipped wood shop capable of creating finely crafted wood products. Veterans benefit from individual case management and staff support to help them monitor and maintain their recovery. The normal progression is 30-60 days in our workshop. The veteran can then progress to our Transitional Work Experience program for up to 12 months.

## **Transitional Work Experience**

TWE, or transitional work experience, places veterans in temporary labor positions in community industry service locations, allowing the employer a preview of their performance, work habits and attitudes.

With each work experience, veterans receive multiple benefits to ease their reentry into the community and workplace, like resume building, interviewing, positive work habits and references. Through a process of work hardening, they develop work tolerance and other essential skills to help them transition into continuing and satisfying employment. Veterans benefit from individual case management and staff support to help them monitor and maintain their recovery.

# Housing

# **Transitional Residence (TR)**

The Veterans Industries/Transitional Residence Program (VI/TR) is a work based psychosocial residential rehabilitation treatment program offering a therapeutic residential setting for veterans involved in Veterans Industries/Compensated Work Therapy (VI/CWT). It is designed to help veterans achieve independent living skills and community integration.

# Housing and Urban Development/ VA Supported Housing (HUD/VASH)

A supported housing program sponsored jointly by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and Veterans Affairs, HUD-VASH provides ongoing case management and assistance to homeless veterans who have received HUD vouchers. HUD-VASH collaborates with service organizations, community based providers and landlords in finding transitional or permanent housing